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SUBJECT: SENSITIVE FACILITIES FOR PAKISTAN

1. AS I WAS LEAVING AZIZ AHMED'S OFFICE THIS MORNING AFTER A MEETING ON OTHER MATTERS, I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO LEAVE HIM WITH THE THOUGHT THAT I WAS TREMENDOUSLY WORRIED OVER THE TROUBLE PAKISTAN MIGHT BE BRINGING UPON ITSELF BECAUSE OF ITS DECISION TO GO AHEAD WITH ITS PLANNED, LARGE REPROCESSING PLANT. I HAD PLANNED TO SAY NO MORE AS I KNOW YOU ARE HANDLING THIS ONE PERSONALLY, AND I WASN'T CERTAIN JUST WHAT THE STATE OF PLAY WAS AT THE MOMENT WITH PAKISTAN.

2. AZIZ SAID THAT THIS SUBJECT, AND OUR RECENT COMMUNICATION THEREON, HAD BEEN THE FIRST ITEM ON THE AGENDA IN THE RECENT BHUTTO/SHAH TALKS. HE SAID THEY HAD AGREED THAT THE PAK FACILITY WOULD BE A REGIONAL ONE FOR PAKISTAN AND IRAN. HE SAID HE WAS WORKING ON A DRAFT REPLY TO GIVE BHUTTO AS SOON AS HE CAME BACK FROM KARACHI. I TOLD HIM THIS COULD BE A MOST IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT, AND KNEW THE EARLIEST FEASIBLE REPLY WOULD BE APPRECIATED.
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